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In re Application of

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DECISION ON PETITION

TO WITHDRAW

FROM RECORD

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed March 27, 2008.

The request is **NOT APPROVED**.

The Office cannot approve the request at this time since the reason provided does not meet any of the conditions under the mandatory or permissive categories enumerated in 37 CFR 10.40. Section 10.40 of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulation states, "a practitioner shall not withdraw from employment in a proceeding before the Office without permission from the Office." More specifically, 37 CFR 10.40 states, "if paragraph (b) of this section is not applicable, a practitioner may not request permission to withdraw in matter pending before the Office unless such request or such withdrawal is" for one the permissive reasons listed in 37 CFR 10.40(c). The reason set forth in the request, ceased to be counsel for assignee, does not meet any of the conditions set forth in 37 CFR 10.40.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the above-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-

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